

Amendments to the Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 line 1 before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading and paragraph at page 1 line 5, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/051942, filed August 27, 2004 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of German application No. 102004002915.6 DE filed January 20, 2004, both of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading and paragraph at page 1 line 5, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION

The present invention relates to a method for controlling data links.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 5, after the newly added FIELD OF INVENTION section, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 12, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraphs at page 2 lines 12-18, as follows:

~~The~~ An object of the invention is to disclose a method as to how the use of services may be supported efficiently and inexpensively.

~~Starting from the features disclosed in the preamble of claim 1 this~~ This object is achieved by the features claimed in the characterizing part in the independent claims.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 3 line 20, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 3 lines 28, as follows:

[0012] The invention will be described in more detail hereinafter with reference to a figure. The sole figure illustrates an exemplary embodiment of controlling a data link between two subscribers in accordance with the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION

Accordingly it is provided that a subscriber wishes to transmit to another subscriber a multimedia message (for example a song, a picture, a short video as a greeting) (multimedia messaging). As his receiving device is not connected to the data link ("offline"), this intention would not succeed, *i.e.* no contact is established. The service provider and the provider of the communications network thus lose potential earnings or profit.